

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 826 WEST 23<sup>RD</sup> STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND CONDEMNING SAID STRUCTURES; PROVIDING A PERIOD OF TIME FOR PROPERTY OWNER TO ABATE SAID NUISANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the buildings and structures whose location is set forth herein are vacant and have become run down, dilapidated, unsightly, dangerous, obnoxious, unsafe, not fit for human habitation and detrimental to the public welfare of North Little Rock citizens and residents; and

WHEREAS, the condition of such property constitutes a serious fire and health hazard to the City of North Little Rock, and unless immediate actions are taken to remedy this situation by removing, razing and abating said nuisance, there is a great likelihood that the surrounding property may be destroyed by fire originating from such unsafe and hazardous structures, and also that since structures are without proper sanitary facilities and as such are unsafe and hazardous and a breeding place for rats, rodents and other dangerous germ carriers of diseases, such buildings constitute a serious hazard to the health and safety of the citizens of North Little Rock, and they should be moved or razed for the purpose of eliminating such hazards.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That the City Council hereby declares the buildings, houses and other structures located at the property identified in Section 2 below to be vacant and run down, dilapidated, unsafe, unsightly, dangerous, obnoxious, unsanitary, a fire hazard, a menace to abutting properties, with the current condition of said structures not being fit for human habitation; and because of such conditions, the City Council declares the same to be condemned as a public nuisance and is ordered abated, removed or razed by the owner thereof.

SECTION 2: That the owner of record of the following described property is hereby directed to raze the same or otherwise abate the said nuisance within thirty (30) days after the posting of a true copy of this Resolution at a conspicuous place upon the structure constituting the nuisance described herein, to-wit:

Lot 15, Block 0, Plainview Addition to the City of North Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas. (Parcel No. 33N2350001800 located at 826 West 23<sup>rd</sup> Street and owned by Harvest Interdenominational Ministries c/o Raymond Govan.)

SECTION 3: If the aforementioned structures have not been razed and/or removed within thirty (30) days after posting a true copy of this Resolution at a conspicuous place upon the structures constituting the nuisance, or the nuisance otherwise abated, the structures shall be torn down and/or removed by the Director of Code Enforcement or his duly designated representative. Each day after the aforesaid thirty (30) days in which said nuisance is not abated shall constitute a separate and distinct offense punishable by a fine of \$50.00 for each such separate and distinct offense.

SECTION 4: That the provisions of this Resolution are hereby declared to be severable and if any section, phrase or provision shall be declared or held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions.

SECTION 5: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

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Mayor Joe A. Smith

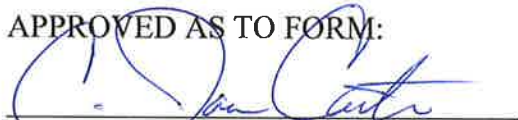
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Mayor Joe A. Smith

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Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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C. Jason Carter, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/b

FILED	10:40	A.M.	_____	P.M.
By	City Atty Carter			
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**CODE ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT**

April 12, 2016

Mayor Smith  
City Council Members

Re: 826 W 23rd St.  
Lot 15 Block 0 Plainview Addition  
Parcel 33N2350001800  
City of North Little Rock, AR

Owner: Harvest Interdenominational Ministries  
(Raymond Govan)  
Arkadelphia, AR

Dear Mayor Smith;

November 2015 officer C. Williams conducted an exterior inspection of the house after receiving complaints of vagrants being in the structure. The inspection showed the structure was unsecured with broken windows, rotted and deteriorating siding material, the roofing system also appeared to be in very poor condition and leaking, view through window shows water damaged roof and floors. The structure was red-tagged and owners of record was notified.

February 2016 follow-up inspection shows the condition of the structure to be unchanged and owner of record Harvest Interdenominational Ministries (Raymond Govan) has not responded to any notices. According to the North Little Rock Utility Department the structure has been vacant since Oct 2013. A notice of City Council was also mailed by certified and regular mail to all interested parties and posted on the property, notifications were also advertised in the newspaper for a City Council hearing date of an April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

The structure is considered to be unsafe and a public nuisance, it is the recommendation of the North Little Rock Code Enforcement Department that this structure be considered for condemnation.

Felecia McHenry  
Code Enforcement Officer